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SUBJECT: KIM IL-SUNG REPORTEDLY ADMITS CONSTRUCTION OF DMZ TUNNELS

REF: TOKYO 6317

1. ROK PRESS HASCARRIED REPORT THAT KIM IL-SUNG IN HIS MAY 8 CONVERSATION WITH MIYAKE DELEGATION (REFTEL) ADMITTED CONSTRUCTION OF NORTH KOREAN TUNNELS IN DMZ. ACCORDING TO ROK NAE-OE NEWS SERVICE (FBIS OKINAWA OW 160515Y), A MEMBER OF DELEGATION WHO PREFERS TO REMAIN ANONYMOUS SAID KIM HAD REPLIED TO A QUESTION ABOUT THE TUNNELS BY SAYING THAT TUNNELS WERE NOT DUG WITH AGGRESSIVE AIM BUT TO "ENABLE THE KOREAN PATRIOTS TO TAKE REFUGE IN THE NORTH IN THE EVENT OF AN UPRISING IN THE SOUTH." STORY DID NOT EXPLAIN HOW REPORT PICKED UP BY NAE-OE SERVICE.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION EMBASSY TOKYO OR DEPARTMENT COULD PROVIDE ON KIM'S ALLEGED REMARKS.  
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